# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# RAILWAYS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5083
ANSWERED ON:28.04.2005
CAPTIVE THERMAL POWER PLANTS BY RAILWAYS
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether it is a fact that the abnormally high tariff on power being charged by the State Electricity Boards (SEBs) has put an extra burden on the Railways;

(b) if so, the amount paid to different SEBs on account of power tariff during ech of the last three years;

(c) whether in view of the high electricity tariff being charged by the State Electricity Boards the Railways are exploring the possibility of setting up dedicated captive thermal power plants to meet their needs and to reduce expenditure on electric traction energy bills;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Railways in this regard?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS ( SHRI R VELU)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The amount paid to the different State Electricity Boards (SEBs) on account of power tariff for traction purpose during the last three years are given in Annexure.

(c): Yes, Sir. Railways is setting up Captive Thermal Power Plant in Joint Venture with National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC).

(d) & (e): Public Investment Board (PIB) has in its meeting held on 13.2.04 recommended submission of this project for approval to the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) after obtaining the environmental clearance.

Environmental clearance has since been received on 3.8.04.

Joint Cabinet Note is being finalized in consultation with Ministry of Power.

ANNEXURE referred to in reply to part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question NO. 5083 for 28.4.05
AMOUNT PAID TO DIFFERENT STATES ON ACCOUNT OF POWER TARIFF FOR TRACTION PURPOSE

(Figure in million Rs.)

| S.No. | Name of states | (Amount paid in million Rs.) | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | 2001-02 | 2002-03 | 2003-04 |
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | 4161 | 4879 | 5096 |
| 2. | Bihar | 1288 | 1300 | 1473 |
| 3. | Gujarat | 2044 | 2051 | 2117 |
| 4. | Harayana | 756 | 929 | 868 |
| 5. | Karnataka | 141 | 152 | 172 |
| 6. | Kerala | 86 | 154 | 167 |

7 Maharashtra 4617 3854 4079

8. Madhya Pradesh 5438 6033 5988

9. Orissa  822 1078 1225
10. Punjab  327 307 319
11. Rajasthan 964 1043 993
12. Tamil Nadu 1890 1884 2379
13. Uttar Pradesh 3001 2695 2645
14. West Bengal 1973 2133 2466
15. Chattisgarh 2409 2484 2457
16. Jharkhand 1532 1706 1900

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